



NEW BUILDING—After six years of serving the Harbor area, the Ficht Piano Co. has moved to a spacious new store at 615 South Gaffey St., San Pedro. The firm has an extensive line of world-famous new and used pianos, including Baldwin, Kinsman, Estey, Kohler and Campbell, and Gulbransen. Owner Bob Ficht has been in the piano business for 36 years.

### Rev. Seebode Returns to Unitarian Pulpit

Following an eight week absence from the pulpit at Pacific Unitarian Church, 1610 Acacia, Rev. Richard W. F. Seebode will return today for a one Sunday address on the summer schedule of speakers, reporting on the American Unitarian Association's May meetings.

Besides official representation at the national conference held annually in Boston, Massachusetts, Rev. and Mrs. Seebode combined pleasure with business, driving to Colby College in Maine to meet their younger son, Frank, who accompanied his parents back to California where he will reside indefinitely.

New Member Sunday at Pacific Unitarian Church will be July 12. Charles Lawrence, 503 Camino de Encanto, Torrance, chairman of the board, will extend the Right Hand of Fellowship to the new members on behalf of the congregation.

In keeping with the custom of lay participation in the service, pulpit readings will be given by James Wilkinson, 1107 W. 134 Place, Hawthorne. The service is at eleven a. m.

### Coin Collection at New Bank's Open House Event

Guests attending the open house party to introduce Bank of America's new Sepulveda-Hawthorne branch in West Torrance Thursday evening, from 6:30 to 9 p. m., will be treated to unusual displays of money.

Cyrus Phillips, nationally known collector and lecturer, brings his valuable collection of rare coins, "300 Years of American Coinage," to the lobby of the modern structure.

The collection features American money, some dating back three centuries, including coins minted by the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1642, the Ben Franklin cent, the pine tree shilling, and examples of the first coins struck under the authority of the Federal Constitution.

Phillips will answer any questions concerning this prized display. There will be another display also—candy coins. These candy gold coins will be in a

pirate's treasure chest and visitors to the open house or to the branch during the month of July have the chance to win valuable prizes by guessing how many coins are in the chest.

A \$50 savings account will be awarded to the person coming closest to the actual number of coins. Additional savings accounts of \$25, \$10 and three of \$5 will be given out to the runners up.

Manager Verne L. Hughes will announce the winners shortly after the contest closes on July 31. The new Sepulveda-Hawthorne branch is located at 3804 Sepulveda Blvd. in West Torrance. It will be open for business Friday at 10 a. m.

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GETTING A HEAD—Allen Ferguson, El Camino art student, found himself a summer job right in his line—carving. Here he puts finishing touches on one of his first assignments for an El Segundo firm.

### Recreation Dept. Plans Mountain Camp Session

Registration now is open for a week-long mountain camping session planned next month under auspices of the Torrance Recreation Department.

Boys and girls from ages 10 through 12 years are eligible to sign up for the Aug. 22 to 29 outing at Camp Clatawa at Big Bear Lake in the San Bernardino Mountains.

The camp has a private lake frontage with facilities for swimming and boating, lounge crafts building, modern sleeping and dining facilities. Transportation between Torrance and the lodge is included.

Fee for the outdoor adventure is \$30, which includes a \$5 pre-registration charge. A medical examination certificate must be filled out before departure for camp.

Details and registration forms are available at the Recreation Department offices, 1511 Cravens Ave., phone FA 8-4108.

### Nelsons Return from Recent Trip East

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Nelson of 1738 Martina Ave., have recently returned from a two month auto trip to Massachusetts.

The Nelsons spent two weeks at their home in Southwick. While there Mrs. Nelson, the new publicity chairman of the Torrance Woman's Club attended the District Federation meeting of Woman's Clubs at Swampscott.

A past president of the Southwick Club, she has attended several Federation Meetings there since moving to California.

Jonathan and Peter Naiden, ages 16 and 12, accompanied their grandparents on the return trip to Torrance, which took them through Niagara Falls, Salt Lake City and over the Donner Pass.

The boys will spend two weeks in Torrance before returning to Southwick.

### Torrance Man 'Chisels' to Support Family, Go to School

From a 3-inch wood carving of a dwarf to a 12-foot statue of Paul Bunyan is the giant step toward success accomplished by El Camino College art student Allen Ferguson.

Ferguson, 33, of Torrance, is spending the summer as sculptor for the Alan Hawes Amusement Company of El Segundo.

He landed the job by showing owner Hawes a hand-carved chess set which he made in ceramics class at El Camino College last spring. The set won a blue ribbon at the college's art show in May, and one of the judges, Professor Jack Nelson of USC, introduced Ferguson to Hawes.

He was hired on the spot. Ferguson expected to be assigned some small item for his first assignment — "something about the size of a chess man."

Instead Hawes ordered a statue of a bearded giant, 12 feet high and six feet wide. The statue will be cast in a sitting position for a "Jack and the Beanstalk" exhibit, and then recast standing to serve as Paul Bunyan.

"It was quite a switch from carving," the young artist admits. "I had to complete it in 10 days."

Owner Hawes says Ferguson did his job well. "He's a fine artist," Hawes adds.

The statue was completed this week and will be cast in a rubber mold. From the mold, a fiber glass impression will be made.

The giant will then be shipped to Canada to be exhibited at the Toronto Fair in August.

An art major, Ferguson plans to return to El Camino in the fall for one more year of schooling and his associate of arts degree. "Then I hope to finish up at USC," he adds.

He plans to stay on the job part time throughout his college years.

Ferguson, who lives at 2545 Lesserman St., is married and has four children.

"My new job will permit me to raise the family, go to school and work at my sculpture," he says. "I couldn't ask for more."

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